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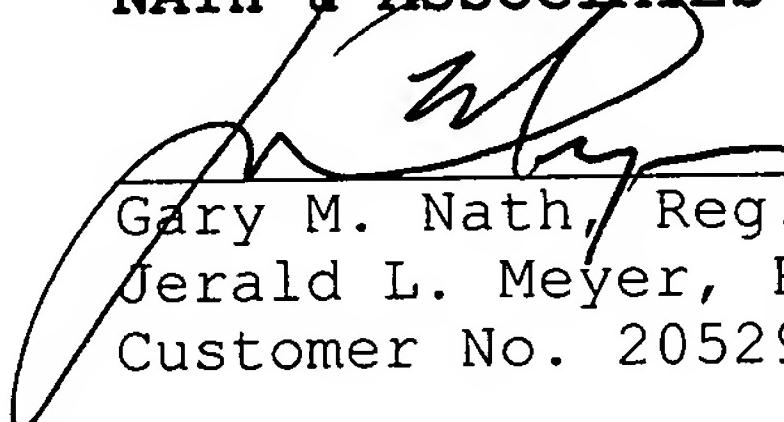
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REMARKS

Upon entry of the above amendment, claims 1-15 will be pending in this application. The amendments to the claims do not introduce new matter within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §132. Accordingly, the examiner is respectfully requested to enter the above amendment before examination.

If the examiner has any questions regarding this submission, the examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney.

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- 1) (original) A sports practicing device having at least two elastic cords, a ball with at least two means for receiving the at least two elastic cords, the ball being located substantially equal in distance along the length of each of the at least two elastic cords, wherein each of the at least two elastic cords are brought into touching engagement with themselves and secured by securing means at the point of touching engagement so as to form a "Y" shape; and each end of the at least two elastic cords is adapted to be secured to vertically spaced anchoring means secured to two vertical supports.
- 2) (original) The sports practicing device of claim 1, wherein the receiving means are located on opposite sides of the ball.
- 3) (original) The sports practicing device of claim 2, wherein the receiving means are located on the periphery of the ball.
- 4) (currently amended) The sports practicing device of ~~any one of claims 1-3, claim 1,~~ wherein the elastic cords have anchoring means positioned at each end.
- 5) (currently amended) The sports practicing device of ~~any one of claims 1-4, claim 1,~~ the securing means is provided by tape wound around the point of touching engagement of the elastic cords.
- 6) (currently amended) The sports practicing device of ~~any one~~

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~~of claims 1-5, claim 1,~~ wherein each point of touching engagement of the elastic cords is between 20 centimeters and 120 centimeters from the ball.

- 7) (original) The sports practicing device of claims 6, wherein the distance of the point of touching engagement is between 60 and 80 centimeters from the ball.
- 8) (original) The sports practicing device of claims 7, wherein the distance between the point of touching engagement and the ball is 70 centimeters.
- 9) (currently amended) The sports practicing device of ~~anyone~~ ~~of claims 1-8~~ claim 1 wherein the vertical supports are positioned between five to six meters apart from each other.
- 10) (currently amended) The sports practicing device of ~~any one~~ ~~of claims 1-9, claim 1,~~ wherein the height of the ball is determined by a user
- 11) (currently amended) The sports device of ~~anyone~~ ~~of claims 1-20,~~ claim 1, wherein the elastic cords are manufactured from bungee cord material.
- 12) (currently amended) The sports practicing device of ~~any one~~ ~~of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein the anchoring means is provided by a clip positioned on a swivel joint attached to each end of the elastic cords.
- 13) (currently amended) The sports device as in ~~any one of the preceding claims,~~ claim 1, wherein the ball is a tennis bail.
- 14) (currently amended) The sports device as in ~~any one of the preceding claims,~~ claim 1, wherein the ball is a soccer

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ball.

- 15) (currently amended) The sports device as in ~~anyone of the preceding claims~~, claim 1, wherein the "Y" shape is achieved by using a number, of separate sections of elastic cord.